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NOTES AND NEWS

Wilhelm Wattenbach died on September 20, aged nearly 78. was universally regarded as one of the most eminent of the older generation of German historical students, especially in the departments of medieval Kulturgeschichte and palaeography. Born in 1819, he began in 1843 a connection with the Monument's Germaniae Historica which did not terminate until 1888, when he resigned the presidency of its board of directors. While provincial archivist in Breslau he published, in 1858, the first edition of his Deutschlands Geschichtsquellen im Mittelalter, of which the sixth edition was issued in 1893. From 1862 to 1873 he was a professor at Heidelberg, and in 1871 published his wellknown work on Das Schriftwesen des Mittelalters. Later books in the same field were his Anleitung zur lateinischen Paläographie and Anleitung zur griechischen Paläographie. In 1873 he was called to Berlin as professor of the sciences auxiliary to history. He was active in the Prussian Academy, in the direction of the Prussian Institute in Rome, in the work of the Historical Commission of the Munich Academy, and in the completion of the series of Geschichtschreiber der deutschen Vorzeit.

Don Pascual de Gayángos died on October 4. He was born in 1809 and pursued his studies in France and England. From 1836 to 1843 he again resided in England. During this period he translated Ticknor's History of Spanish Literature into Spanish and Al Makkari's History of the Mahommedan Dynasties in Spain into English. From 1847 to 1872 he was professor of oriental languages in the University of Madrid. rendered great assistance to Prescott and other foreign scholars who occupied themselves with the history of Spain. The great work of his life was the continuation of Bergenroth's Calendar of Letters, Despatches, and State Papers relating to the Negotiations between England and Spain, preserved in the Archives at Simancas and elsewhere. To this series Gayángos contributed eight volumes (1873-1895), which cover with minute completeness the period from 1525 to 1542. He also prepared the British Museum catalogue of Spanish manuscripts, four volumes (1851-He also made large contributions to Spanish historical literature, more especially the Memorial Historico Español in nineteen volumes, and eight volumes contributed to the Sociedad de Bibliófilos Españoles.

Dr. Franz Xaver von Wegele, professor at Würzburg, died on October 16, aged seventy-three. He had been for forty years a professor in the University of Würzburg. His leading book was his excellent and laborious Geschichte der deutschen Historiographie seit dem Auftreten des Humanismus (1885). He was also joint editor with Baron Rochus von

Liliencron of the *Allgemeine Deutsche Biographie*, published by the Historical Commission of the Munich Academy.

Dr. John Stoughton, one of the most eminent of the non-conformist divines of England, died on October 24, aged eighty-nine. He was the author of a History of Religion in England from the Opening of the Long Parliament to the End of the Eighteenth Century, in six volumes (1867–1882), and of a work of similar title covering the first half of the present century (1884), works marked by learning, breadth of view and catholicity of spirit.

Dr. George Frederick Holmes, who for many years had been professor of history in the University of Virginia, died on November 4. Born in British Guiana in 1820, he was educated at the University of Durham, England, and in 1842 was admitted to the bar of South Carolina. Before his service at Charlottesville he had held professorships at Richmond College and at the College of William and Mary, and had been president of the University of Mississippi. He published little, but was of note as a teacher.

Adolf Ditlev Joergensen, the eminent Danish historian, died in Copenhagen on October 5. He was for some years keeper of the public records of the kingdom, and was author of many historical works, the latest being his *Peter Griffenfeld*. In the forthcoming co-operative *Danmarks Riges Historia* he was to have written the history of the most modern period.

Sir Peter LePage Renouf, who from 1885 to 1891 was keeper of the Egyptian and Assyrian antiquities in the British Museum, died on Octotober 15, aged 74. In 1879 he published his Hibbert Lectures on *The Religion of Ancient Egypt*. In 1890 he published, with an elaborate introduction, a splendid fac-simile of the Papyrus Ani.

The American Historical Association holds its thirteenth annual meeting at Cleveland on December 28–30. The committee on the programme has wisely arranged for a diminution in the number of papers read and an increase of discussion of practical problems. The extent to which undergraduate students may be trained in the use of sources, the general problem of the teaching of history in schools, the opportunities for American students of history in Europe, the relation of the teaching of economic history to the teaching of political economy, and the work of state and local historical societies, are among the subjects to be taken into consideration in these conferences.

Part X. of the Clarendon Press Historical Atlas of Modern Europe, edited by Dr. R. L. Poole, contains a map of Poland and Lithuania before the Union of Lublin in 1569, by R. Nisbet Bain; one of northern France in 1066, by James Tait; and one of Italy in the Lombard period, 568–774, by Professor J. B. Bury. Part XI. gives a map of Europe after the Peace of Westphalia, by C. Oman; one of Hungary, 998–1382,

by Mr. Bain; and one of northern Italy in the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries, by Miss K. D. Ewart. Part XII. contains a map of "Germania Sacra," by the editor, illustrating the ecclesiastical divisions in the Middle Ages; one of Poland after the Union of Lublin, by Mr. Bain, with side-maps showing the results of the partitions of 1793 and 1795; and one of Italy after the Peace of Lodi, 1454, by Miss Ewart, with a small map showing the growth of the Florentine state in the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries. Part XIII. contains a map of Europe in the time of Otto the Great, by the editor; one of Germany under the Hohenstaufen, by the same; and a plate containing several maps showing the growth of the House of Savoy in Italy from 1418 to 1859, by Miss Ewart.

The Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge are issuing a *Historical Church Atlas*, edited by Mr. Edmund M'Clure. It is intended to illustrate the history of eastern and western Christendom until the Reformation, and that of the Anglican Communion until the present day. The atlas contains eighteen colored maps and some fifty sketch maps in the text.

ANCIENT HISTORY.

The American Branch of the Egypt Exploration Fund appeals for contributions to be applied to the publication of the Oxyrhynchus papyri, as well as to the conducting of further explorations. All subscribers to the amount of five dollars or more will receive the publications of the Fund. Contributions should be sent to Mr. Francis C. Foster, 59 Temple Street, Boston.

Mr. Bernard P. Grenfell has contributed to the *Archaeological Report* of the Egypt Exploration Fund, 1896–97, an account of the excavations which he and Mr. A. S. Hunt conducted at Behnesa (Oxyrhynchus). The report is published by Mr. Henry Frowde.

The last *Quarterly Statement* of the Palestine Exploration Fund (October) contains the final report on the excavations conducted at Jerusalem by the American archaeologist, Dr. Frederick J. Bliss.

Canon Rawlinson's translation of Herodotus has been issued by Mr. John Murray in a cheaper form, in two small volumes, edited by Mr. A. J. Grant. The appendices have been omitted and the notes abridged.

The Macmillan Co. announce a *History of Greece for High Schools and Academies*, by Dr. George Willis Botsford, instructor in Greek and Roman history in Harvard University. The attempt will be made to present more of the history of Greek civilization than is usual in such manuals.

Noteworthy articles in periodicals: R. Pöhlmann, Die Anfänge des Sozialismus in Europa (Historische Zeitschrift, LXXIX. 3); R. Dareste, Histoire du Droit Privé de la République Athénienne (Journal des Savants, June, July); A. Bouché-Leclercq, Le Règne de Seleucus II. Callinicus et

la Critique Historique (Revue des Universités du Midi, July, September); O. Hirschfeld, Decimus Clodius Albinus (Historische Zeitschrift, LXXIX. 3); A. Bouché-Leclercq, L'Astrologie dans le Monde Romain (Revue Historique, November); P. Aulard, La Jeunesse de l'Empereur Julien (Revue des Questions Historiques, October).

EARLY CHURCH HISTORY.

The latest issue in the *Texte und Untersuchungen zur Geschichte der altehristlichen Literatur* published by the Prussian Academy's committee on the Fathers is a treatise by Dr. Wilhelm Haller on Jovinianus, in which the fragments of that writer are printed, and his life, sources and doctrines are carefully considered (Leipzig, J. C. Hinrichs, pp. 159).

The Rev. Dr. Benjamin B. Warfield's volume entitled *Two Studies in the History of Doctrine* (New York, Christian Literature Co., pp. 239) consists of an essay on Augustine and the Pelagian controversy, and another on the development of the doctrine of infant salvation.

MEDIEVAL HISTORY.

Dr. Felix Dahn makes a beginning of the eighth volume of his Könige der Germanen (which bears the sub-title Die Franken unter den Karolingern) by printing a preliminary survey of the political history of the Frankish kingdom from 613 to 843 (Leipzig, Breitkopf und Härtel, pp. 108).

Macmillan's series of *Periods of European History* is now nearly completed. The volume for the period 918–1272, by Professor T. F. Tout, of Victoria University, Manchester, has just been issued.

Mr. David Nutt will soon publish an accurate reprint of Caxton's translation of *Reynard the Fox*. It will be prefixed by an exhaustive introduction by Mr. Joseph Jacobs, tracing the intricate literary history of the story.

Professor George L. Burr makes an admirable contribution to the series of *Translations and Reprints from the Original Sources of European History* published by the University of Pennsylvania, by his small but illustrative and well-edited collection on The Witch Persecutions.

MODERN EUROPEAN HISTORY.

Messrs. F. Vander Haeghen, R. Vanden Berghe and Th. I. Arnold have begun the publication of an elaborate *Bibliotheca Erasmiana; Bibliographie des Œuvres d'Érasme*. The first part, devoted simply to the *Adagia*, makes a book of 579 pages (Ghent, C. Vyt).

Dr. Anton Pieper has just published the first instalment of an elaborate work dealing with the papal diplomacy of modern times: Die päpstlichen Legaten und Nuntien in Deutschland, Frankreich und Spanien seit der Mitte des 16. Jahrhunderts. This first part (Münster, Aschendorff, pp. 218) is occupied with the legates and nuncios of Julius III., Marcellus II. and Paul IV. (1550–1559) and their instructions.

The most recent additions to the Foreign Statesmen Series are Major Martin A. S. Hume's *Philip II*. (Macmillan, pp. 267), well worthy of being read and digested by every student of Prescott and Motley; Mr. Frederic Harrison's *William the Silent* (pp. 260); and Dr. Thomas Hodgkin's *Charles the Great*.

The second volume of Alfred Stern's Geschichte Europas seit den Verträgen von 1815 bis zum Frankfurter Frieden von 1871 has appeared (Berlin, Besser, pp. 572).

Noteworthy articles in periodicals: C. Mirbt, *Ignatius von Loyola* (Historische Zeitschrift, LXXX.1); E. Armstrong, *Venetian Despatches on the Armada and its Results* (English Historical Review, October); H. F. Brown, *Paolo Sarpi* (Scottish Review, October).

GREAT BRITAIN.

The British government has brought out Vol. XVI. (1588) of the Acts of the Privy Council, edited by Mr. J. R. Dasent; the Calendar of the Patent Rolls of Edward IV., 1461–1467; Calendars of State Papers, Domestic, Charles I., Vol. XXIII., containing addenda extending through the whole reign; Calendars, Domestic, Charles II., Vol. XII., 1671–1672; and Appendix V. to the Fifteenth Report of the Historical Manuscripts Commission. The latter consists of a calendar of the MSS. of the Right Hon. F. J. Savile Foljambe of Osberton, of which the most important portions are a body of papers illustrating the history of the navy, and an important section of the correspondence between James II. and the Prince of Orange.

In Vol. LII. (Shearman to Smirke) of the *Dictionary of National Biography* there are but three articles of high importance to the student of history: Sheridan, by Mr. Fraser Rae; Algernon Sidney, by Mr. C. H. Firth; and Sir Philip Sidney, by Mr. Sidney Lee.

A part of Dr. F. Liebermann's *Gesetze der Angelsachsen* (Vol. I., Text and Translation, Part I., pp. 191) has been brought out by the Savigny-Stiftung and is published by Niemeyer, of Halle.

Mr. W. G. Searle has prepared an *Onomasticon Anglo-Saxonicum*, or list of Anglo-Saxon proper names from the time of Bede to that of King John, which is published by the Cambridge University Press.

Mr. Gwenogvryn Evans, of Oxford, will soon issue several interesting volumes of old Welsh texts, including an autotype fac-simile of the oldest Welsh manuscript (circa 1200) of the Laws of Howel Dha, and another of the oldest Latin manuscript (circa 1180) of these laws. They will be accompanied by a print of the text and an English translation. An autotype fac-simile of the book of Taliesin will soon follow.

The first edition of Mr. Andrew Tuer's *History of the Horn-Book* having run out of print, a popular one-volume edition is now announced by the publishers, the Leadenhall Press.

An elaborate History of Renaissance Architecture in England, 1500-

1800, by Mr. Reginald Bloomfield, of Exeter College, Oxford, is published by the Macmillan Co. (two vols., pp. 431). There is a great abundance of illustrations, nearly two hundred and fifty, mostly from drawings by the author.

Messrs. Longmans' series of "Builders of Greater Britain" is begun by the publication of Major Martin A. S. Hume's Sir Walter Raleigh and the British Dominion of the West (pp. 431).

Mr. J. H. Hessels has brought out (Cambridge University Press) the third volume of his *Archivum Londino-Batavae Ecclesiae*, published at the expense of the authorities of the Dutch church in London.

The Scottish History Society have in preparation the first volume of *The Papers relating to the Scots Brigade at the Hague*, and the first volume of *The Montreuil Correspondence*, eighty letters written from Edinburgh in 1647 and 1648.

In the spring Messrs. Goupil and Company will publish *Charles I*. by the late Sir John Skelton. The work was finished and revised before the death of the author. The book will have elaborate illustrations, especially from the royal collections in Windsor and Buckingham palaces.

Mrs. Dorothea Townshend has published an interesting little memoir entitled Life and Letters of Mr. Endymion Porter, sometime Gentleman of the Bed-chamber to King Charles I. (London, Fisher Unwin, pp. 260.)

Mr. Samuel Rawson Gardiner has agreed to edit for the Navy Records Society the state papers, Dutch and English, relating to the Dutch wars of the Commonwealth.

A life of Sir George Savile, first marquis of Halifax, is announced for publication by Messrs. Longmans, Green and Co.

The Duke of Buccleuch has placed at the disposal of Sir William Fraser the historical documents at Drumlanrig Castle, containing the correspondence of the first Duke of Queensberry when commissioner to the Scottish Parliament in 1685.

A book which should have a certain interest for American readers is Mr. G. Williams's *History of Liverpool Privateers and Letters of Marque*, and Account of the Liverpool Slave Trade (London, Heinemann, pp. 734).

The Earl of Camperdown has been for some time engaged upon a life of the first earl, Admiral Duncan, which is now on the point of publication.

A select bibliography of the battle of Trafalgar is published in *Liter-ature* for October 23.

Mr. Stuart Reid is writing a biography of the first Earl of Durham, expected to throw much new light on the policy of Lord Durham during his mission to Canada in 1838. Important manuscript materials written by Lady Durham and by Charles Buller have been placed at the disposal of Mr. Reid.

The biography of Henry Reeve, who for nearly half a century held an important post in the Privy Council Office, and who was for many years editor of the *Edinburgh Review*, is announced for publication, and should contain much material of importance relating especially to the political history of the period from 1840 to 1865.

Noteworthy articles in periodicals: F. W. Maitland, Canon Law in England; William of Drogheda and the Universal Ordinary (English Historical Review, October); J. R. Tanner, The Administration of the Navy from the Restoration to the Revolution, II. (English Historical Review, October); J. H. Rose, The Unstamped Press, 1815–1836 (ibid).

FRANCE.

Since by the official statement the Bibliothèque Nationale on the first of January, 1897, contained 468,000 volumes of history, of which 279,000 were of French history, it cannot be out of place for a historical journal to take notice of the bibliographical fact that the first volume of the Catalogue Général du Département des Imprimés has at length been published.

Professor George B. Adams's *The Growth of the French Nation* is henceforward to be published by the Macmillan Co.

The Société de l'Histoire de France has published the ninth volume of M. A. de Ruble's edition of the *Histoire Universelle* of Agrippa d'Aubigné, the tenth volume of M. G. Raynaud's edition of Froissart (in which he has succeeded M. Siméon Luce), and the twelfth volume of M. Ludovic Lalanne's *Brantôme*, containing the editor's general account of Brantôme's life and writings.

A series of *Extraits des Historiens Français du XIX*^e *Siècle*, with an introduction on the history of France and with notes, by M. Camille Jullian, is published by Hachette (pp. cxxviii, 684).

M. Maurice Prou's *La Gaule Mérovingienne* (Paris, May) is an unpretending book, intended for popular use, but written with full knowledge by a specialist, and containing much that is the result of original investigations.

A reign which has been but very little known and, it seems, largely misunderstood, that of Philip V., has been made by M. Paul Lehugeur the subject of a thorough and intelligent investigation. The first volume of his *Histoire de Philippe le Long* (Paris, Hachette) deals with the external aspects of the reign, the relations of the Crown to foreign powers and to the chief forces within the state. The second will describe the internal administration.

The latest addition to the list of publications resulting from the opening of the Vatican archives is a series of *Documents Pontificaux* relating to the province of Gascony. The enterprise is undertaken by the Société des Archives Historiques de la Gascogne, and is largely subsidized by the archbishops and bishops of old Gascony. A beginning is made with the pontificate of John XXII., himself a Cahorsin. The first volume, edited by Abbé L. Guérard, extends from 1316 to 1322.

The municipal archives of Bordeaux were almost entirely destroyed by fire in 1862. But a vast body of extracts from the registers of its iurade, extending from 1540 to 1783, had been accumulated by the archivists in the last century, and these were preserved. The city has now entered on the task of publishing them in ten or a dozen volumes, under the editorial care of M. Dast Le Vacher de Boisville, Inventaire Sommaire des Régistres de la Jurade, de 1540 à 1783 (Bordeaux, Gounouilhou). The mayor of Montpellier and the dean of its university, MM. Berthelé and Castets, are acting as joint editors of an analytical inventory of the archives of that city which the municipality has begun to publish. The city's archives contain many of the papers of the Estates of Languedoc, anciently deposited there.

- M. F. Aulard has published the tenth volume of his *Recueil des Actes du Comité de Salut Public* (January 1-February 8, 1794) and Vol. VI. of his documents of the Jacobins, March-November, 1794, completing the work.
- M. Frédéric Masson has brought out (Paris, Borel) a volume entitled *Marie Walewska*, in which are published a number of the letters written by Napoleon I. to the Countess Walewska.

The Duke de Broglie has published a volume of historical essays entitled *Histoire et Politique* (Paris, Calmann Lévy). Noteworthy among them are one on the formation of the constitution of 1875, one which reviews the conduct of the Third Republic, especially in the matter of diplomacy, and one on 1815, a criticism of M. H. Houssaye's book on that year.

During the present month MM. Plon, Nourrit and Co. will publish a memoir of the Duke of Aumâle, by M. Ernest Daudet.

Madame Darmesteter (A. Mary F. Robinson) has published a small but important volume entitled *The Life of Ernest Renan* (London, Methuen, pp. 290), with whom she and her husband enjoyed long continued intimacy.

Noteworthy articles in periodicals: Comte L. Rioult de Neuville, Le Duc de Richelieu et les premières Années de la Restauration (Revue des Questions Historiques, October); Marquis de Gabriac, Chateaubriand Ministre des Affaires Étrangères (Revue des Deux Mondes, October 1, November 1).

ITALY, SPAIN.

The publisher F. Vallardi, of Milan, has begun the issue, in parts, of a comprehensive and elaborate *Storia Politica d'Italia*. The pre-Roman period will be treated by Professor Ed. Brizio, Roman history by Professor Francesco Bertolini, and later portions by Messrs. Gianani, Romano, Orsi, Callegari, Franchetti, de Castro and Giovagnoli.

The corporation formed to take charge of the Casa Buonarroti at Florence, a house which belonged to Michelangelo, and which his

descendants had made a museum and archive of material relating to him, have now resolved to print the collection of 800 letters, written to and by Michelangelo, contained in the house. The Commendatore G. Biagi, prefect of the Laurentian library, is to edit the letters, which extend from 1506 to 1564, and are reported to be of much importance.

Ludwig Pastor's treatment of Savonarola in the third volume of his Geschichte der Päpste is the subject of a critical monograph by Signor Paolo Luotto, entitled Il Vero Savonarola ed il Savonarola di L. Pastor (Florence, Le Monnier).

L'Italia degli Italiani, the important history of Italy from 1849 to 1870, by Carlo Tivaroni, is now completed by the publication of the third volume (Turin: Roux, Frassati and Co.), in which the author brings his narrative down to the acquisition of Rome, and adds biographies of the chief men of the period.

Under the title Autobiografia di un Veterano, the house of Zanichelli, at Bologna, have published the first volume of the historical memoirs of General Enrico Della Rocca, extending from 1807 to 1859 (pp. 500). These memoirs, dictated by General Della Rocca at the age of 86 years, convey an exceedingly interesting picture of Charles Albert and of the earlier days of Victor Emmanuel. Della Rocca began his career at the age of nine, as a page of Charles Albert, and was closely associated with both monarchs. The second and final volume of the memoirs will be published within a year.

A volume of reminiscences by Madame Julia White Mario, dealing with the period of the revolutionary movement in Italy, is announced for publication by Messrs. Fisher Unwin, of London.

The third volume of Signor Luigi Chiala's Pagine di Storia Contemporanea is now presented in a new and enlarged edition, containing four additional chapters, dealing with the first period of the Triple Alliance, its renewals in 1887 and 1891, and, lastly, the Triple Alliance face to face with the Dual Alliance, 1891–1897 (Turin: Roux, Frassati and Co., pp. 738).

Mr. H. Butler Clarke's *The Cid Campeador and the Waning of the Crescent in the West*, in the series of "Heroes of the Nations" (Putnams), represents the endeavor of an accomplished English scholar, long resident upon the edge of Spain, to present the historical facts relating to the Cid in a correct manner after critical investigation.

GERMANY, AUSTRIA, SWITZERLAND.

A Historical Commission for Hesse and Waldeck has been established at Marburg. Among the publications which it contemplates are: the registers of the landgraves of Hesse down to Philip the Magnanimous, the chronicles of Hesse and Waldeck from the fourteenth to the sixteenth century, the acts of the provincial Estates of Hesse, a cartulary of Fulda, etc.

The latest addition to the quarto *Monumenta Germaniae Historica* is a new part of Boretius and Krause's *Capitularia Regum Francorum*, tomi II. pars 3 (pp. 471–726).

The Historical Commission connected with the Munich Academy has added to the series of *Jahrbücher der deutschen Geschichte* its second volume for Frederick II., embracing the years 1228–1233 (Leipzig, Duncker und Humblot, pp. 529).

In their Bibliothek deutscher Geschichte the firm of J. G. Cotta, of Stuttgart, have completed the first volume of Deutsche Geschichte im Zeitalter der Hohenstaufen, by Drs. J. Jastrow and J. Winter, and the first volume of Dr. Hans von Zwiedineck-Südenhorst's Deutsche Geschichte von der Auflösung des alten bis zur Errichtung des neuen Kaiserreiches. The former (pp. 644) extends from 1125 to 1190, the latter (pp. 623) from 1806 to 1815.

Both family and court, administration and politics are treated in Dr. Hans Prutz's Aus des Grossen Kurfürsten letzten Jahren (Berlin, G. Reimer, pp. 410.)

The first number of the *Quellen und Forschungen aus italienischen Archiven und Bibliotheken*, published by the Prussian Historical Institute in Rome (Rome, E. Loescher, pp. 164), contains articles on the papal household at Avignon, by I. Haller, on Felician Ninguarda's reformatory endeavors in Bavaria and Austria, 1572–1577, by K. Schellhass, on the Prussian court in 1797, according to a Spanish envoy there, by G. Kupke, and a despatch of Aleanders, 1520.

Theodor von Bernhardi's diaries for the years 1866 and 1867 have been published at Leipzig by S. Hirzel under the title *Der Krieg 1866 gegen Oesterreich und seine unmittelbaren Folgen*.

Moltke's Militärische Correspondenz is now completed by the publication of the third volume, covering the period from the suspension of hostilities in the spring of 1871 to the final evacuation of French territory in the autumn of 1873 (Berlin, R. Mittler und Sohn). General von Verdy du Vernois's account of the same war, translated from the German, has been printed as the first volume of the Wolseley Series, With the Royal Headquarters in 1870-'71 (London, Kegan Paul, pp. 284).

Johannes Penzler is bringing out in a series of five considerable volumes a work entitled *Fürst Bismarck nach seine Entlassung* (Leipzig, Fiedler), which follows closely the diary kept by the prince at Friedrichsruhe, and has practically the value of an autobiography. Three volumes have now appeared (Leipzig, W. Fiedler), extending to the middle of the year 1892.

The life of the Archduke Albert, who died in 1895, has been written by Karl von Duncker (Vienna, F. Tempsky), who has had access to the unpublished writings and letters of the archduke and the military records of the empire. M. Émile Rivoire has published, as Vols. XXVI. and XXVII. of the *Mémoires et Documents* of the Société d'Histoire et d'Archéologie of Geneva, a *Bibliographie Historique de Genève au XVIII* Siècle (Geneva, Jullien, two vols., pp. 586, 509). The work is, it will be seen, one of unusual completeness, and it is clear in plan and excellent in execution.

Noteworthy articles in periodicals: E. Brandenburg, Der Regensburger Vertrag zwischen den Habsburgern und Moritz von Sachsen, 1546 (Historische Zeitschrift, LXXX. 1); H. Grimm, Ernst Curtius und Heinrich von Treitschke (Cosmopolis, October); J. W. Headlam, Heinrich von Treitschke (English Historical Review, October); G. Blondel, Le Congrès des Historiens Allemands à Innsbruck et la Science d'Histoire en Allemagne (Revue Historique, November).

NETHERLANDS.

The firm of Frederik Muller and Co., of Amsterdam, intend to issue during this year, in photolithographic fac-simile, Abel Tasman's journal of his expedition of 1642–1643, in which he discovered Van Diemen's Land and New Zealand. It will be accompanied by an English translation of the journal and of the Dutch East India Company's instructions for this voyage and for that of 1644, in which Tasman made a partial exploration of Australia, and by an exhaustive study his of life and labors by Dr. J. E. Heeres. Tasman's fifty-three drawings and charts will be included in the fac-simile, and the volume will make an elaborate folio of about 425 pages.

The Historisch Genootschap at Utrecht has published the first volume of the papers of Hans Bontemantel, burgomaster of Amsterdam to 1672, edited by Mr. Kernkamp, a contribution of much importance to the history of the Republic and its internal conflicts.

R. Friese, of Leipzig, is the publisher of an important work by Oskar Nachod on *Die Beziehungen der niederländischen ostindischen Kompagnie zu Japan im 17. Jahrhundert* (pp. 444, ccxliv).

NORTHERN AND EASTERN EUROPE.

Two new instalments of Oxenstierna's papers, Rikskansleren Axel Oxenstiernas Skrifter och Brefvexling, have lately been brought out (Stockholm, Norstedt, pp. 803, 791), the second volume of the first division, the chancellor's own letters from 1606 to 1624, and the eighth volume of the second division, comprising letters to him from Horn, Torstensen and Wrangel.

The Russian journal, *Istorich. Viestnik*, for March contains an article by V. Timiriazev on the Czar Alexander I. as an arbiter in international disputes, with especial reference to the attempted mediation between the United States and Great Britain during the War of 1812.

AMERICA.

The first report of the Historical Manuscripts Commission will appear, probably in the present month, as a part of the *Annual Report* of the

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American Historical Association. In their second report, beside certain papers already mentioned, they expect to present, for most of the colonies, a list of the sessions of the legislatures, extending down to 1800, with indications of the extant printed or manuscript journals of the lower houses for those sessions. Professor Turner will edit for the volume the correspondence of Mangourit, French consul at Charleston during the Genet troubles, a correspondence which will cast much light on the expedition of Elijah Clark. It is also intended that this second volume shall contain a part of the data obtained by means of the Commission's circulars and inquiries.

Dr. Leonard W. Bacon's *History of American Christianity* (New York, the Christian Literature Co., pp. 429), coming as a conclusion to the American Church History Series, is intended as a summary of the whole field which that series has treated by means of monographs relating the history of the individual denominations.

The *Nation* of November 11 and 18 contains interesting lists of documents relating to American history among the Rawlinson MSS. in the Bodleian Library at Oxford.

Mr. Thomas Whittaker has printed a new edition (the seventh) of Dr. McConnell's *History of the American Episcopal Church*, in which the narrative is brought down to the present time.

The Report of the Commissioner of Education for 1895–1896, Vol. I., contains two somewhat commonplace chapters on the common school in the Middle and Southern states respectively, during the period 1790–1840, by Rev. A. D. Mayo, and a chapter on early educational life in middle Georgia, diffuse but entertaining, by Mr. Richard Malcolm Johnston.

Mr. G. P. Humphrey, of Rochester, in his American Colonial Tracts follows the order of Force's Tracts. His latest reprints, Nos. 7, 8 and 9, are the New Life of Virginia, 1612; The Beginning, Progress and Conclusion of Bacon's Rebellion, by "T. M."; and Mrs. Cotton's Account of the same troubles.

The American Economic Association has published a reprint of Dr. William Douglass's *Discourse Concerning the Currencies of the British Plantations in America*, 1740. The reprint of this important tract is edited by Dr. Charles J. Bullock, instructor in Cornell University, who, beside annotations, supplies a life of the author and a list of his writings.

Burke's speech on *Conciliation with America* has been published for school use by Messrs. Ginn and Co., with an introduction and notes by Professor Hammond Lamont, of Brown University, and by Messrs. Silver, Burdett and Co., of Boston, with an introduction and notes by Mr. Francis R. Lane.

Professor William McDonald, of Bowdoin College, has in press a comprehensive volume of *Select Documents Illustrative of the History of the United States*, 1776–1861. The selections number about ninety. They

are given either in full or in significant extracts, and follow official or otherwise authoritative texts. Each document is prefaced by a brief introduction and a select bibliography.

The Life and Letters of Thomas Kilby Smith, brevet major-general of United States volunteers (1820–1887), by his son, Walter George Smith, has just been published by Messrs. Putnam. General Smith was in almost constant service during the war, and was afterward consul at Panama.

The interest of Mr. Henry Laurens Clinton's *Celebrated Trials* (Harper, pp. 626) is not confined to the legal profession, for among the trials in which he has been engaged, and of which he here gives a history, were the trial of W. M. Tweed in 1873, that of the case of John Kelly against Mayor Havemeyer, and that of Richard Croker for the murder of John McKenna in 1874.

The last publication of the Prince Society consists of two volumes by the Rev. Dr. Edmund F. Slafter, entitled *John Checkley or the Evolution of Religious Tolerance in Massachusetts* (Boston, the Society, two vols., pp. 288, 320). Checkley's career as a persecuted Episcopalian bookseller in Boston, and as a clergyman in Providence, R. I., is narrated with scholarly care. Vol. II. contains a "Bibliography of the Controversy in America relating to Episcopacy, 1719 to 1774."

The Life and Work of Frederic Thomas Greenhalge, Governor of Massachusetts, by James E. Smith (Boston, Robert Brothers), in describing a political character and career of more than ordinary interest, also affords glimpses into the political history of years more recent than those into which political biography is usually brought down.

Vol. XIII. of *The Early Records of the Town of Providence*, a thin volume of 83 pages, contains the records of town meetings from 1716 to 1725.

A History of the Town of East Hampton, N. Y., one of the most interesting of the Long Island towns, by Henry P. Hedges, is for sale by Edward N. Nash, New York (pp. 344). The volume contains a reprint of the address delivered at the bi-centennial anniversary in 1849, introductions to the four printed volumes of the records of the town, and other historical and genealogical matter.

Mr. Francis P. Harper has recently issued *Early Long Island Wills* of *Suffolk County*, 1691–1703, from the records of the prerogative court of that county, with genealogical and historical notes by William S. Pelletreau (pp. 301). The edition is limited.

The legislature of New Jersey, at its last session, passed an act providing for the appointment of a Public Records Commission. The governor has appointed Mr. William Nelson, Gen. W. S. Stryker and Mr. Henry S. Haines, the first named being chairman.

The Parish Register of Christ Church, Middlesex County, Virginia, has been published by the Society of the Colonial Dames of America in that state (Richmond, W. E. Jones, pp. 341).

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Mr. Thomas M. Owen, of Carrollton, Alabama, has in preparation a *History of Granville County*, North Carolina, 1746–1800, including much documentary matter.

Hon. Clement Dowd has published a Life of Zebulon B. Vance, the War Governor of North Carolina (Charlotte, Observer Printing House, pp. 493).

Gen. Edward McCrady's *History of South Carolina under the Pro-* prietary Government, 1670–1719, the first section of his long-expected work, has just been published by the Macmillan Co.

The Charleston Year-Book for 1896 contains a historical sketch of St. Philip's Church, by Gen. Edward McCrady, and extracts from the diary of Rev. Oliver Hart, 1740–1780 (Charleston, Lucas and Richardson).

An elaborate history of Edgefield County, S. C., has been printed by Mr. John A. Chapman (Newberry, Elbert H. Aull, pp. 521).

Mr. Edmond Mallet has given an English form to those investigations concerning the Sieur de Vincennes, of which we spoke on p. 786 of our last volume. His work now appears as Number 2 of the third volume of the Indiana Historical Society Publications, with the title Sieur de Vincennes, the Founder of Indiana's Oldest Town (Indianapolis, Bowen-Merrill Co., pp. 62).

The latest publication by the Filson Club is Col. Bennett H. Young's *History of the Battle of Blue Licks* (Louisville, John P. Morton and Co., pp. 101).

The most recent publication by the Missouri Historical Society, No. 14, is an account of *The Beginnings of Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction in the Archdiocese of St. Louis*, by Rev. J. J. Conway, S. J.

Noteworthy articles in periodicals: H. Harrisse, Sebastien Cabot, Pilote major d'Espagne, considéré comme Cartographe (Revue de Géographie, June); R. C. H. Catterall, The Issues of the Second Bank of the United States (Journal of Political Economy, September); W. A. Dunning, Military Government in the South (Political Science Quarterly, September).

We find that the pamphlet entitled *The People the Best Governors*, upon which Dr. Harry A. Cushing based an article printed in this journal, Vol. I., pp. 284 to 287, using a copy in the library of the Connecticut Historical Society which he supposed to be unique, was printed in Mr. Frederick Chase's *History of Dartmouth College*, Vol. I. (1891), from a copy which Professor Lord, the editor of that volume, supposed to be unique. Readers of Mr. Cushing's valued article may like to know of a place in which a complete text of the pamphlet can be found.